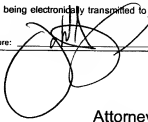


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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated July 16, 2007, please consider the following remarks.